

## **VELMA ROBINSON RUSSON**

### **Lehi Centennial History 1850-1950**

Velma Robinson Russon, daughter of Beulah Adams and George G. Robinson, was born July 8, 1898, in American Fork, coming to Lehi when her father bought the Lehi Flour Mills. She graduated from Lehi High School.

Velma was married to J. Reuben Russon June 2, 1920, in the Salt Lake Temple. She is the mother of three children, Glen, Maurine, and Kenneth. She spent her life in rearing her family and working in the the church.

She began by teaching Religion class for one year in the old Sego Lily school house in 1920. She then taught Primary and Mutual (Beehive), always having a deep love for young people.

In 1928 she became counselor to Imogene Peck in the Primary, serving for five years, and later served as Stake Genealogical Secretary. She joined the Fourth Ward Relief Society in 1934 and was a continuous worker for nearly ten years, first as Bible Topic class leader, then as counselor to Julia Hunter, and later as president.

She served in those busy years when the welfare work was first started. It was necessary to go to many special meetings to become acquainted with its purpose. Mrs. Russon headed several ward banquets, such as the Fathers and Sons, Teenagers, and one to raise funds for Ward Church remodeling. She loved her work and all who worked with her. She is now a visiting teacher.

Velma loves her family. Her lovely home with its warm hospitality is always open to her many friends and relatives.